Arkansas Crop Report

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The following are the survey results from the 2004 September Agricultural Yield Survey. A sample of the farmers in Arkansas provided the data for this survey. The data are also posted on our home page at the Internet address above, and more detailed U.S. statistics at http://www.usda.gov/nass/. Thanks to all who responded to the questionnaire or interview for the survey.

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<u>Soybeans</u>: Arkansas soybean yield is forecast at 39 bushels per acre, up 3 bushels per acre from August and up 1 bushel per from last year. If realized, this would be a record high yield. Harvested acres are estimated at 3.05 million, up 6 percent from 2003. Soybean production is forecast at 118.95 million bushels, up 8 percent from the previous year.

<u>Rice</u>: Revised all rice planted acres for 2004 are 1.57 million acres, revised long grain planted acres are 1.41 million acres, and revised medium planted acres are 1.60 million acres. Rice yield is forecast at 6,650 pounds per acre, equal to the previous month but up 60 pounds per acre from last year. If realized, this would be a record high yield. All rice harvested acres are estimated at 1.56 million, up 7 percent from 2003. Breakdowns by grain length are: long grain harvested at 1.40 million acres, up 9 percent from 2003, medium grain harvested 159,000 acres, down 3 percent from last year and short grain and harvested 1,000, the same as last year.

Cotton: Arkansas cotton revised planted acres are 930,000 harvested acres are estimated at 920,000 acres, down 3 percent from 2003. The derived yield of 903 pounds per acre, is up 26 pounds per acre from the previous month, but down 13 pounds per acre from 2003.

Sorghum: Grain sorghum yield is forecast at 80 bushels per acre, equal to last month, but down 2 bushels from the previous year. Harvested acres are estimated at 90,000 acres, compared with 210,000 acres in 2003.

Corn: Corn yield is forecast at 140 bushels per acre, the same as last month and the same as the previous year. Corn harvested acres are estimated at 300,000, down 14 percent from 2003.

ARKANSAS and UNITED STATES 2003-2004 STATISTICS

	Area Harvested		Yield		Production	
Crop	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
	1,000 Acres		Yield per acre		1,000	
ARKANSAS						
Rice, All, 1/	1,455	1,560	6,590	6,650	95,860	103,740
Soybeans, bushels	2,890	3,050	38	39	109,820	118,950
Cotton, Upland ^{2/}	945	920	916	903	1,804	1,730
Sorghum, bushels	210	90	82	80	17,220	7,200
Corn, bushels	350	300	140	140	49,000	42,000
UNITED STATES						
Rice, All, 1/	2,997	3,334	6,645	6,651	199,157	221,731
Soybeans, bushels	72,321	73,655	33	39	2,417,565	2,835,989
Cotton, Upland ^{2/}	11,826	12,970	723	747	17,822.9	20,185.0
Sorghum, bushels	7,798	6,916	53	68	411,237	472,269
Corn, bushels	71,139	73,377	142	149	10,113,887	10,960,710

^{1/} Rice yield in pounds. Rice Production in hundredweight (cwt)

²/ Cotton yield in pounds per acre. Cotton Production in 480 pound bales.

RICE STOCKS BY POSITION, BY STATES, AUGUST 1, 2003-2004

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		ON	IN	IN	IN					
	TOTAL	FARMS	MILLS	WHSES.	PORTS	TOTAL				
STATE	ALL	OR	AND	NOT	OR	ALL				
	POSITIONS	FARM	ATTACHED	ATTACHED	IN	POSITIONS				
		WHSES.	WHSES.	TO MILLS	TRANSIT					
	2003		2		2004					
		ROUGH RICE - 1,000 CWT.								
ARKANSAS	9,527	400	3,244	3,632	0	7,276				
California	7,043	1	1,464	7,793	1	9,422				
Texas	578	1		157	0	385				
Unallocated		171	1,377	548	40					
United States	20,071	571	6,085	12,819	40	19,515				
		MILLED RICE - 1,000 CWT.								
ARKANSAS	1,545		1,088	1	1	1,304				
California	1,063		701	1	1	703				
Texas	647		301	0	0	301				
Unallocated	1,319		501	105	255	643				
United States	4,574		2,591	105	255	2,951				

¹Included in unallocated to avoid disclosing individual operations.